WELCOME! February 9, 2025

We're so glad you worshiped with us today! Our prayer is that you would know and embrace God's love and truth through Jesus Christ!

*A staffed nursery is available during this morning's worship gathering.

*Aid for the hearing impaired is available. Please see an usher for assistance.

*Need Internet? SBFN Guest Password:

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TODAY'S WORSHIP GATHERING

All Creatures of Our God and King We Praise You

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/OFFERING

All Because of Jesus Goodness of God Worthy of It All

MESSAGE FROM GOD'S WORD

"The Difficult Journey of Faith:
Abraham Presses Ahead"
Genesis 23
Lead Pastor Andy Lauer

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS

Sunday A.M. Discipleship	92
Sunday A.M. Worship	150
Midweek Activities	30
On-Line Views	24

SBFN MINISTRY TEAM

Lead Pastor - Andy Lauer Children's Pastor - Brenda El-Talabani Worship & Admin Pastor - Rebekah Gilbert Outreach Pastor - Dee Neal Missions Director - Sue Harris

THIS WEEK AT SBFN

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3 - 11:15 am	Prayer Room is open
8:00 am	Worship Team Rehearsal
9:00 am	Discipleship for all ages
10:15 am	Morning Worship Gathering
	Reception for Carole following
	services

Tuesday

6:30 pm Church Board Meeting

Wednesday

12:00 pm Women's Sewing & Crafts 6:00 pm Youth WIRED

Worship Team Rehearsal

The Truth Project

Thursday

6:30 pm. Quilting

7:00 pm Men's Basketball

Next Sunday

Prayer Room is open
Worship Team Rehearsal
Discipleship for all ages
Morning Worship Gathering

Thank you for your faithful & generous giving!

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Received week of	(2/2/25)	\$15,864.61
Needed Weekly		\$6,765.85
Average Giving YTD		\$7,601.71

January Missional Giving

World Evangelism Fund	\$1412.12
Child Sponsorship.	\$30.00

Church Building & Facilities

Mortgage Balance	\$519,949.29

UPCOMING EVENTS & INFORMATION

NEW OFFICE HOURS

Our church office has new hours and a few new email addresses.

Hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri: 8:30am-12:30pm

Wed: 11am-4pm

Office Email (Pastor Rebekah): admin@sbfnaz.org Outreach (Pastor Dee): outreach@sbfnaz.org We look forward to connecting with you!

RECEPTION FOR CAROLE SNYDER

Please join us after church today as we celebrate Carole Snyder and her 18 years of faithful service here at SBFN! Let's shower her with cards and love!

"THE TRUTH PROJECT"

One of the best ways to strengthen your faith against the deception of the Enemy is to have a clear understanding of what you believe and why. *Now meeting each*



Wednesday throughout the spring, you're invited to be a part of "The Truth Project," a groundbreaking small group curriculum on biblical worldview. It will help you look at all of life from a truly biblical perspective. You absolutely will

want to be a part of this event. Many other churches who have been through this series have asked to do it again. Make your plans now to join us in the HALO Room (gym classroom) on Wednesday evenings!

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY: CHILDREN'S DEPT.

Our children's classes continue to grow, which means our team must grow with it! We are seeking volunteers for the Nursery once per month in our 9:00 and 10:15 services. We also need help during the 10:15 hour for the Toddlers and Preschoolers. Commitment is hard, and life happens, but no worries! We are flexible and volunteers can switch weeks with others if you are not able to serve during your scheduled week. Contact Pastor Brenda (904-625-2121) or Sara Erdahl (517-391-6931) if you would like to chat about helping out.

WORK & WITNESS 2025

August 2-9, 2025 we will be headed to the beautiful mountains of Kentucky to assist *Kentucky Mountain Bible College* with some much needed renovations. All skills are needed—carpentry, painting, flooring, cleaning kitchen help, electrical, etc. All inclusive cost is \$400; a \$50 deposit is due by the

end of February. Have a heart to serve? Pick up a packet of information today in the lobby from Sue Harris.

The HALO ABF class is currently studying a new book by Francis Chan, "Forgotten God," during the

"FORGOTTEN GOD" WITH FRANCIS CHAN

9am Sunday School hour in Room FC 101. This series seeks to reverse our neglect of the Holy Spirit by exposing the enormous gap between what Scripture says about the Spirit and how most believers and churches operate today. Through solid scriptural support and

compelling narrative, Chan reveals the Holy Spirit as the Bible describes Him. His goal isn't merely to educate readers - it's to invite readers to allow the Holy Spirit to infuse their lives in profound ways.

"CHERISH" WITH GARY THOMAS

The Crusaders for Truth Sunday School class is enjoying a series on marriage and invites all interested couples to join them at 9am in room FC107. Most marriages survive by gritting teeth and holding on. But what if surviving marriage wasn't the goal? What if we aimed to thrive instead? Through the biblical act of cherishing, we can empower our spouses to

become who they are called by God to be, and in the process to become more of who we are called to be, creating a marriage that feels more precious, more connected, and more satisfying. If you're ready to revolutionize your relationship, it's time to learn how to truly Cherish it!



WEATHER CANCELLATION REMINDER

Wintertime brings inclement weather. If the need arises to cancel service or programs, we will post cancellations on both WSBT & WNDU stations by 7 a.m. on Sunday mornings, or at least 90 minutes prior to any scheduled activities. If you know of someone that may not get the cancellation notice, please help us spread the word by giving them a courtesy call yourself. Finally, and most importantly, always use your best judgement in making travel decisions for you and your family.

ANNUAL LEADERSHIP ELECTION

We will be having our **Annual Leadership Election on March 2** during our morning worship hour. We invite and encourage all **SBFN MEMBERS**, **age 15 and older**, to vote on this year's upcoming District Assembly Delegates and Church Board members.

Praise & Prayer

If you would like a Praise or Prayer request put on our list, or if you know in advance of a scheduled surgery or extended hospital stay, please let the church office know by filling out a blue Prayer Card and placing it in the offering plate. Please remember to keep us updated.

ONGOING PRAYER CONCERNS:

*Pray for the Gospel to continue to be shared throughout the world. Pray for the Lord's soon return.

*Pray for the global Church to be faithful to God and His Word.
*Pray for Persecuted Christians, Missionaries, SBFN, our
Church Staff, Elected Leaders, Courts, and our Country.
*Pray for Hannah's House, and other Crisis Pregnancy Centers

*Pray for Hannah's House, and other Crisis Pregnancy Centers that are helping mothers who keep their children from abortion. *Pray for an end to conflict and wars around the world.

*Pray for U.S. Soldiers, Police, First Responders, and families.
*Pray for those who have lost loved ones.

SPECIFIC PRAYER CONCERNS: (new requests are bolded)

*Donnie Mow - (Evelyn Lowrance's grandson) - Diagnosed with Bell's palsy and experiencing facial paralysis.

*Barb Moutelle - Having wrist surgery on 2/12. Please pray for a successful procedure, quick healing, and comfort.

<u>Linda Bergan</u> - (Terry Minix's sister) - Fell and broke her hip on Thursday; had surgery on Friday. Please pray for healing, relief from pain, and a peaceful recovery.

*Pastor Steve Grooms - Please remember his family and his church in prayer with his recent passing.

*Mary Nafrady - Please keep her family in prayer with her recent passing.

*Konstence—(Courtney Hoover's niece) - Recovering from mono; still experiencing pain and undergoing more testing.

*Hugh Tipton - (Sharon Ebersole's brother) - Hugh has been transferred to an in-patient care facility for cardiac rehab.

*Ray - (Charlotte Staubs' younger brother) - In critical condition at the hospital in Charlotte, NC with heart & kidney issues. Prayers are appreciated at this time.

*Bud Williams - UPDATE - (David Williams' Dad) Hospice care will continue at home at Bud's wishes. Continued prayers appreciated for all.

*Barbara Brock - (member of New Beginnings church) has incurable cancer, stage 4, please pray for God's timing and peace and healing. *Roxanne Human - (Janet Pease's sister) Has cancer. Please pray for her as she fell out of bed and broke her arm in 3 places and is in much pain. She had surgery on 1/31 to remove the cancerous kidney and immuno-therapy to follow.

*Skip Galbraith - (Bob Galbraith's brother) - Diagnosed with extremely aggressive lung cancer. Prayers the treatments will slow the progress, and for God's mercy whatever that may be. Also, especially pray for Skip's salvation as well.

SBFN INFORMATION

SBFN ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE

You can give from anywhere using your desktop, laptop, or smart phone. You have options to make a one-time gift, or a recurring tithe such as weekly, monthly, or twice a month. You can also link the online giving account to your bank account or debit or credit card. From your smartphone camera, scan the QR Code provided, and it will take you



straight to the online giving website. From your laptop or desktop you can simply go to the online giving option on our church's webpage and sign up there. Go to: www.sbfnaz.org, choose About SBFN, Online Giving from the scroll down box, then proceed from there.

SBFN CONNECTION BOXES

We want to hear from you. Please place your Connection Cards/Prayer Cards in the Connection boxes or access the Connect Card using the QR code on the front of the bulletin.



SBFN WEBSITE



The SBFN website is a great resource for you, your family, and your friends to discover more about our church, our beliefs, and what's going on weekly. Check it out and share it at www.sbfnaz.org.

A QUICK VIEW OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

February

12, 19, 26 - "The Truth Project" (6pm)

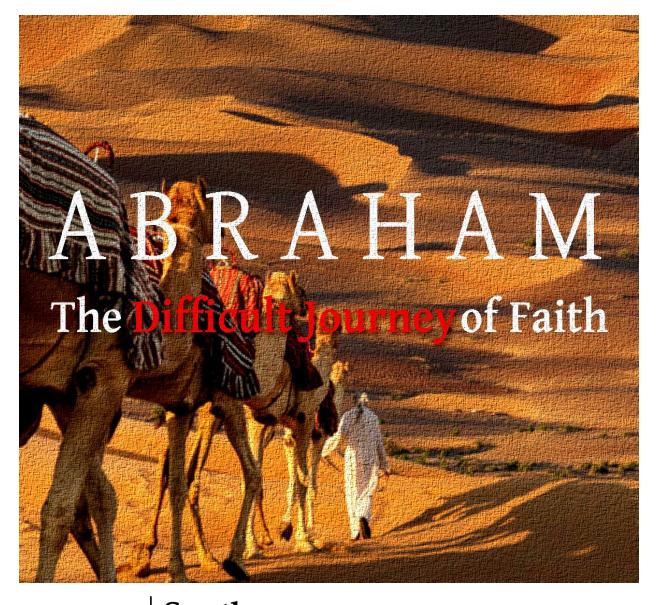
- Children Wed. Activities (6pm)
- Youth WIRED
- 9 Reception for Carole Snyder (following Sunday service)
- 11 Church Board Meeting (6:30pm)

MARCH

- 1 District Celebrate Life
- 2 Annual Leadership Election
- 23 KMBC Chorale

APRIL

- 13 Palm Sunday & Children's Egg Hunt
- 18 Good Friday
- 20 Resurrection Sunday
- 28-29 District Assembly





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